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In re Application of

Ralph Venuto, Sr.

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For: Spray Booth

DECISION ON PETITION

This is in response to applicants' petition filed June 10, 2004 to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(a), based on applicant's health condition.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, IV with supporting documentation. Therefore the petition is hereby **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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